



December 5, 2003

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
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Washington, D.C. 20590

03V-442  
Revision

Re: Defect Information Report  
Number: 034ZND0139 Rv. 2

Ms. DeMeter:

In accordance with the provisions of 49 CFR Part 573.5(b) Defect and Noncompliance Reports, Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. (MMNA) hereby furnishes this second revised Defect Information Report, which contains details of a defect in a limited number of 2003 and 2004 model year MMNA manufactured vehicles.

This revision to MMNA Report # 034ZND0139 reflects additional and/or updated information that has become recently available. In summary, MMNA has again broadened the scope of this voluntary action to identify defective parts in vehicles from the earliest known time of manufacture. The proposed remedy remains the same; replacement of the fuel pump assembly on vehicles identified with the condition.

Again, each distributor will advise you of their launching schedule and provide copies of the Owner Notification Letter, Service Bulletin and all other pertinent information prior to customer notification.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (309) 888-8900 or Mr. J. Bachman at (309) 888-8943.

Sincerely,

Jerry Berwanger  
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Mitsubishi Motors North America - Mfg. Div. (MMNA)

Attachment: DIR Rv. #2

Defect Information Report for;  
Number:

Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. - Mfg. Div.  
034ZND0139 Rv.2

1. The manufacturer's name:

**Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. - Manufacturing Division  
100 N. Mitsubishi Motorway  
Normal, Illinois 61761**

2. Identification of the vehicles and defect item;

Make	Line	Model Year	Dates of Manufacture
Mitsubishi	Galant	2003	2003-6-11 ~ 2003-8-26
Mitsubishi	Eclipse	2003	2003-6-11 ~ 2003-7-25
Mitsubishi	Eclipse	2004	2003-7-25 ~ 2003-9-11
Mitsubishi	Eclipse Spyder	2003	2002-6-11 ~ 2003-7-25
Mitsubishi	Eclipse Spyder	2004	2003-7-25 ~ 2003-9-11
Chrysler	Sebring Coupe	2003	2003-6-11 ~ 2003-7-25
Chrysler	Sebring Coupe	2004	2003-7-25 ~ 2003-9-11
Dodge	Stratus Coupe	2003	2003-6-11 ~ 2003-7-25
Dodge	Stratus Coupe	2004	2003-7-25 ~ 2003-9-11

3. Total number of vehicles:

Make	Line	Model Year	Volume
Mitsubishi	Galant	2003	13,239
Mitsubishi	Eclipse	2003	1,485
Mitsubishi	Eclipse	2004	1,750
Mitsubishi	Eclipse Spyder	2003	679
Mitsubishi	Eclipse Spyder	2004	934
Chrysler	Sebring Coupe	2003	312
Chrysler	Sebring Coupe	2004	1,218
Dodge	Stratus Coupe	2003	1,034
Dodge	Stratus Coupe	2004	3,347
TOTAL =			23,998

4. Percentage of vehicles estimated to contain the potential defect:

**It is impossible to estimate the actual number of vehicles that contain the defect, however; owners of all potentially affected vehicles will be notified, and those vehicles will be included in this campaign.**

5. Description of the defect including summary:

**The fuel return line hose fitting on the electric fuel pump may be restricted, causing excessive fuel pressure to build up in the fuel injection system. Excessive fuel pressure may result in the fuel return hose becoming dislodged, resulting in fuel leakage. Fuel leakage in the presence of an ignition source could result in a fire.**

6. Chronological summary of events leading to this determination:

**A routine Mitsubishi in-plant audit of a vehicle revealed a slight driveability issue which resulted in the replacement of the fuel pump. A field report of excessive fuel pressure led to the return of several fuel pumps. These electric fuel pumps were returned to the supplier for investigation. It was found that the fuel pump return line fitting was blocked, resulting in excessive fuel pressure. A report from the field of fuel leakage from a rental car company led to this determination.**

7. Test results for a noncompliance:

**Not applicable.**

8. Description of the proposed remedy:

**Owners of all affected vehicles will be notified and encouraged to bring their vehicles in for inspection of the fuel return line and fitting for blockage. Those vehicles exhibiting blockage of the fuel return port will receive a replacement fuel pump.**

9. Launch date:

**The estimated launch date for customer notification is December 2003, when an appropriate supply of parts becomes available and the customer notification letters and service bulletin are completed.**

10. Notices, bulletins and communication:

**Copies of the owner letters, bulletins will be provided as soon as they are available.**

**Any owners that may have already paid to have this condition corrected will be directed to call the appropriate customer relations hot line phone number.**

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